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REMARKS**Double Patenting**

The Office has rejected claims 12-28, at paragraphs 5-7 of the Office Action, on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type, provisional-type double patenting, as being unpatentable over claims 1-14 of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 11/595,099. Applicants have canceled claims 12-28 without prejudice or disclaimer. Therefore, the double patenting rejection is rendered moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the double patenting rejection.

Claims 1-11 are Allowable

The Office has indicated allowance of claims 1-11, at paragraph 8 of the Office Action. Applicants acknowledge the allowances by the Office of claims 1-11, and thank the Examiner for the allowances of these claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the objections and rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of each of the pending claims.

Any changes to the claims in this amendment, which have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

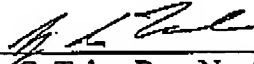
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below if such a call would in any way facilitate allowance of this application.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-2469.

Respectfully submitted,

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